

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate completed action on H.R. 3221, Foreclosure Prevention Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6583–S6612

Measures Introduced: Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3254–3257. **Page S6604**

Measures Passed:

Senior Professional Performance Act: Senate passed S. 1046, to modify pay provisions relating to certain senior-level positions in the Federal Government, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S6609–10**

Reid (for Voinovich) Amendment No. 5072, to modify pay provisions relating to certain senior-level positions in the Federal Government. **Pages S6609–10**

Euripides Rubio Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4289, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Ponce, Puerto Rico, as the "Euripides Rubio Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic", and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S6610**

United States and Republic of San Marino: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 236, recognizing the close relationship between the United States and the Republic of San Marino, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S6610–11**

Reid (for Biden) Amendment No. 5069, to make a technical correction. **Page S6611**

Drug Enforcement Administration 35th Anniversary: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 610, honoring the men and women of the Drug Enforcement Administration on the occasion of the 35th anniversary of the Administration, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S6611**

Digital Television Transition Awareness Month:

Senate agreed to S. Res. 576, designating August 2008 as "Digital Television Transition Awareness Month", after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S6611–12**

Reid (for Hatch) Amendment No. 5070, to make minor changes. **Pages S6611–12**

Reid (for Hatch) Amendment No. 5071, to make minor changes. **Pages S6611–12**

Measures Considered:

Tom Lantos and Henry J. Hyde United States Global Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Reauthorization Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2731, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2009 through 2013 to provide assistance to foreign countries to combat HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria. **Pages S6595–97**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 65 yeas to 3 nays (Vote No. 174), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Pages S6596–97**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, July 14, 2008, that all post-cloture time be deemed expired, the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and Senate then begin consideration of the bill; provided further, that once the bill is reported, the committee-reported amendment in the nature of a substitute be withdrawn, and Senator Biden be recognized to offer the Biden-Lugar managers' amendment in the nature of a substitute, and that this amendment be considered and agreed to; that the bill, as thus amended be considered as original text for the purpose of further amendments, and

that the only first-degree amendments be those that are listed in this agreement, with relevant second-degree amendments in order to the first-degree amendments to which offered; that in the case where a 60 affirmative vote threshold on adoption of an amendment is required, that if the amendment does not achieve that threshold, it then be withdrawn, and if it achieves that threshold, then it be agreed to and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; that the provisions of this agreement relating to the amendments in order would be invalidated if the text of the amendments have not been provided to the bill managers no later than 2 p.m., on Monday, July 14, 2008; provided further, that the managers acting jointly have notified the Majority and Republican Leaders by 3 p.m., on Monday, July 14, 2008, that there are no objections; that if the Managers and the Majority and Republican Leaders, acting jointly, determine that a side-by-side amendment strategy is the appropriate approach for the listed amendments, then it be in order for side-by-side amendments, with the Majority getting the first vote on any side-by-side amendments;

Gregg amendment relative to establishing an IG within Global AIDS Office; Gregg amendment relative to including cost-share agreements;

DeMint amendment relative to reducing spending authorization to \$35 billion; DeMint amendment relative to prohibiting fund use for extraneous provisions not related to AIDS—subject to a 60 affirmative vote threshold;

Cornyn amendment relative to sunset commission/review related to AIDS programs;

Bunning amendment relative to reauthorization current law;

Kyl amendment relative to specifying authorization level for last year will be \$10 billion;

Vitter amendment relative to IG for contributions to the Global Fund; Sessions amendment relative to striking lifting ban on visas for individuals with HIV/AIDS—subject to an affirmative 60 vote threshold;

Thune/Kyl amendment relative to cut AIDS funding/devote to Indian law enforcement or safe drinking water—subject to an affirmative 60 vote threshold; provided further, that upon disposition of all

amendments, the bill, as amended, be read a third time and the Committee on Foreign Relations then be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 5501, the House companion measure, and Senate then begin its consideration, that all after the enacting clause be stricken and the text of S. 2731, as amended, if amended, be inserted in lieu thereof, the bill be advanced to third reading, and Senate then vote on passage of H.R. 5501, as amended, and that upon passage of H.R. 5501, S. 2731 be returned to the Senate Calendar.
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House Messages:

Foreclosure Prevention Act: By 63 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. 173), Senate disagreed to the amendments of the House of Representatives, adding a new title and inserting a new section to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 3221, to provide needed housing reform.
Pages S6585–95

Measures Placed on the Calendar:

Pages S6583, S6602

Measures Read the First Time: **Pages S6602, S6612**

Executive Communications: **Pages S6602–04**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S6604–05**

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:
Pages S6605–08

Additional Statements: **Pages S6601–02**

Amendments Submitted: **Pages S6608–09**

Notices of Hearings/Meetings: **Page S6609**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—174)
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Adjournment: Senate convened at 3:30 p.m. and adjourned at 6:39 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 14, 2008. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6612.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.